

A BILL

FOR AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF OBSCENE LITERATURE,
PICTURES, PAINTINGS, ETC.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

SECTION 1. Any person who sells, lends, gives away or offers to give away, or shows, or
2 has in his possession with intent to sell, or give away, or to show, or advertise, or otherwise
3 offer for loan, gift, sale or distribution, any obscene or indecent book, magazine, pamphlet,
4 newspaper, story paper, writing, picture, drawing or photograph, or any article or instrument
5 of indecent or immoral use, or who designs, copies, draws, photographs, prints, utters, pub-
6 lishes or otherwise prepares such book, picture, paper or other article, or prints, or causes to be
7 written or printed a circular, advertisement or notice of any kind, or gives information orally
8 or otherwise stating when, where, how or of whom, or by what means such an indecent arti-
9 cle or thing can be purchased or obtained; or

10 2. Sells, lends, gives away, or shows or has in his or her possession with intent to sell or
11 give away, or to show or advertise or otherwise offer for loan, gift, sale or distribution to any
12 minor child, any book, pamphlet, magazine, newspaper, or any other printed paper devoted to
13 the publication, or principally made up of criminal news, police reports, or accounts of crimi-
14 nal deeds or pictures and stories of bloodshed, lust or crime; or

15 3. Exhibits on any street or highway or in other place within the view, or which may be
16 within the view of any minor child, any book, magazine, pamphlet, newspaper, writing, paper,
17 picture, drawing, photograph or other article or articles coming within the description men-
18 tioned in the first or second subdivisions of this section or any of them; or

19 4. In any manner hires, uses or employs any minor child to sell or give away or in any
20 manner to distribute, or who, having the care, custody or control of any minor child, permits
21 such child to sell or give away or in any other manner to distribute any book, magazine, pam-
22 phlet, newspaper, story paper, picture, drawing, photograph or other article or matter, coming
23 within the descriptions of articles and matter mentioned in the first or second subdivisions of
24 this section or any of them shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction
25 thereof shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars nor less than five dollars.